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1. Polish Army Labor Unit   is located in Jaworznie<sup>1</sup>. The commander of the unit is Soviet Captain Malko (fnu), said to be a very harsh man, stern with his subordinates. The commander of one of the companies is 2nd Lt. (Chorazy) Harmanowski (fnu). The chief of staff is Captain Nowakowski (fnu). The political officer, also deputy chief of staff, is Lt. (Porucznik) Kornos, who also serves as security officer. The training officers are Lt. Ryblev (fnu) and 2nd Lt. Piasecki (fnu). Lt. Ryblev finished school in Pwicz (sic), near Oswiecim, where a large officers' training school is located.
2. A headquarters of Border Guard troops is located in Glimice<sup>2</sup>.
3. Large Border Guard units are located in Raciborz (Ratibor). They are billeted in the large barracks at Stalin Street 1200.
4. The labor units in the Polish Army wear the same dark-green uniforms as other troops. All soldiers and officers with the exception of political officers wear red hat bands; political officers wear blue.
5. Draftees who are under suspicion by the security organs are sent to the labor units. Those under suspicion are men who have spent time in prison either for political or criminal reasons. ~~any other~~  
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6. In early 1954, the labor battalion in Jaworznie consisted of five companies, in all about 1,000 draftees. The barracks were located near the village of Jaworznie-Arota. The whole complex occupied an area about 800 meters square and was surrounded by a fence two meters high. The complex was built in 1950.
7. In the labor battalions, draftees find themselves in the position of recruits for the first four weeks, participating in basic military training. They use Soviet weapons of the KWK-44 type<sup>3</sup>. Military training is given twice a day. Two times a week political indoctrination is given for two hours at a time. The basic theme of this is the history of the Communist Parties of Poland and the USSR. The draftees' day runs from 6 a. m. to 6 p. m. with a

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one- [redacted] usual meal is [redacted] and potatoes.  
In the [redacted] discipline is hard. The soldiers are very  
dissatisfied.

8. A soldier [redacted] eight zloty per month. Reserve non-commissioned  
officers [redacted] receive 200 zloty per month. Regular non-  
commissioned officers receive 500 zloty per month and officers from  
lieutenant to major get from 800 to 1,500 zloty.

1. [redacted] Comment: Probably Jaworzno (50° 13' N - 19° 17' E) is  
meant. 50X1-HUM

2. [redacted] Comment: Possibly Gliwice (Gleiwitz) is meant.

[redacted] [redacted] probably referring to the M1944 Mosin  
Nagant carbine. 50X1-HUM

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